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TO AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO PRIORITY

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TAGS:OGEN, APER, DR, MILI

SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL REQUEST FOR DATA

REF : SANTO DOMINGO 280 AND PRECEDING

1. DOD HAS REVIEWED SUGGESTED REPLY FORWARDED SANTO DOMIN-  
GO 280. THEY AGREE TO FIRST FOUR SENTENCES OF PARAGRAPH ONE  
BUT WOULD DELETE REMAINDER AND SUBSTITUTE THEREFOR THE  
FOLLOWING: QUOTE: WE ARE EXAMINING THE FEASIBILITY OF  
REDUCING THE MAAG OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS. PROPOSED  
REDUCTIONS ARE REVIEWED CAREFULLY EACH YEAR IN THE LIGHT  
OF OUR REQUIREMENTS TO EFFICIENTLY ADMINISTER THE SECURITY  
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF MAAG STRENGTH  
FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. UNCER-  
TAINTIES AS TO THE TIME-FRAME AND GRADE-MIX OF POSSIBLE RE-  
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DUCTIONS MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO ESTABLISH A SPECIFIC

BUDGETARY SAVING IN THIS CONNECTION.

IN ADDITION THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF THE IAGS OFFICER  
AND ONE ENLISTED MAN IN THE OFFICE OF THE DEFENSE ATTACHE  
IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW. UNQUOTE

2. EXPLANATIONS GIVEN BY DOD FOR THESE CHANGES ARE: BEGIN  
QUOTE THE MESSAGE PROPOSED (BY EMBASSY) TO BE SENT TO  
SENATOR PERCY INCLUDES SEVERAL LINE ITEMS PRESENTED AS  
"ESTIMATED BUDGETARY SAVINGS". IT IS UNLCEAR HOW THE

EMBASSY IN SANTO DOMINGO ARRIVED AT THESE FIGURES. WE ARE  
UNABLE TO CONFIRM THEM.

IT IS NOT ALWAYS ACCURATE TO STATE THAT THE REASSIGNMENT  
OF AN INDIVIDUAL YIELDS A SPECIFIC BUDGETARY SAVING. THE  
REASSIGNMENT DOES DISCUMBER THE SPECIFIC POSITION FROM  
EXPENSES ASSOCIATED TO HAVING AN INDIVIDUAL OCCUPYING IT  
BUT IT DOES NOT NECESSARILY REMOVE THE COSTS OF THAT  
INDIVIDUAL FROM THE OVERALL BUDGETARY SYSTEM AND MAY EVEN  
INCUR A ONE TIME ADDITIONAL COST IN CONNECTION WITH RE-  
ASSIGNING HIM. ALL SAVINGS MUST THEREFORE BE CHARACTERIZED  
AS QTE POTENTIAL UNQTE.

MOREOVER IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO CALCULATE BUDGETARY  
SAVINGS INVOLVED IN PAY AND ALLOWANCES WITHOUT KNOWING THE  
GRADE AND DEPENDENCY OF THE SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS TO BE  
REASSIGNED. IN THE ABSENCE OF SUCH INFORMATION THIS FIGURE  
OUGHT TO BE DELETED. WE HAVE REVISED THE MESSAGE TO TAKE  
INTO CONSIDERATION THESE PROBLEMS. IF THE FIGURES PROPOSED  
ARE IN FACT FORWARDED TO SENATOR PERCY, THEY OUGHT TO BE  
IDENTIFIED AS STATE DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES AND THE MANNER  
IN WHICH THEY WERE DEVELOPED OUGHT TO BE SPECIFIED. ENDQUOTE

3. WE BELIEVE, AND HAVE INFORMED DOD, THAT REPLY RESPON-  
SIVE TO SENATORS QUERY MUST PROVIDE DATA ON ESTIMATED  
POTENTIAL ANNUAL SAVINGS FOR OPERATION OF US DIPLOMATIC  
MISSION TO DOMREP. AT SAME TIME, IT SEEMS BOTH UNNECESS-  
ARY TO LABEL SAVINGS AS QTE BUDGETARY UNQTE AND FEASIBLE  
TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OTHER POINTS EXPRESSED BY DEFENSE.  
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4. EMBASSY MAY HAVE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS IN LIGHT OF DOD  
REACTION. WE WOULD THEREFORE APPRECIATE YOUR ADDRESSING  
AGAIN THE PROPOSED TEXT OF A REPLY TO THE SENATOR, COMPUTING  
FIGURES ON THE BASIS OF STAFFING PROJECTIONS AND FISCAL  
DATA AVAILABLE AT MISSION, BUT RECOGNIZING DOD RESERVATIONS  
ABOVE WHICH ARE CONSISTENT WITH THAT APPROACH. KISSINGER

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